Indicators	DLHS-3(2007-08)			DLHS-2 (2002-04)		
	Total	Rural	Urban	Total	Rural	Urban
Awareness about Diarrhoea and Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI).						
Women aware about danger signs of ARI (%).....	57.4	55.0	62.7	41.3	41.6	40.4
Treatment of childhood diseases (women who had live birth during reference period)						
Children with diarrhoea in the last 2 weeks who received ORS (%).....	33.7	30.2	43.3	30.3	25.7	42.0
Children with diarrhoea in the last 2 weeks who were given treatment(%).....	70.9	69.3	75.6	73.2	71.2	78.3
Children with acute respiratory infection or fever in last 2 weeks who were given advise or treatment (%)	71.9	69.4	79.0	73.9	71.7	79.6

SOURCE: Fact Sheet, DLHS-3 2007-08, IIPS, Mumbai

Deaths due to consumption of contaminated water

790. SHRI NANDAMURI HARIKRISHNA:
SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY:
Wiil the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the death of about 20 people in Bholakpur area of Hyderabad due to drinking of contaminated water has come to the notice of his Ministry;

(b) whether any help/assistance has been sought by the Government of Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if so, what assistance or help has been provided by his Ministry to the State of Andhra Pradesh in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) As per the information provided by Government of Andhra Pradesh, 15 persons died of Cholera in Bholakpur area of Secunderabad after drinking contaminated water.

(b) and (c) On a request from Superintendent of Gandhi Hospital, Hyderabad a team from the National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Diseases (NICED), Kolkata, an Institute under Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) visited the affected area from the 9th May to 12th May, 2009 for investigation and providing guidence to State health authorities for prevention and control of diarrhoeal diseases.

Backlog vacancies of SC/ST in Health Services

791. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the total number of employees in various Departments, under his Ministry, including hospitals, groupwise as on 31st March, 2008;

(b) what are the details of SC/ST employees among the above total employees;

(c) the details of backlog vacancies in group A, B and C for SCs and STs; and

(d) what actions are proposed to fill in the backlog of SC/ST vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Swine Flu cases in Andhra Pradesh

792. SHRI NANDAMURI HARIKRISHNA:
SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of his Ministry that there is a sharp rise in the number of cases of Swine Flu (H1N1) in the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether it is a fact that Andhra Pradesh has recorded the highest Swine Flu cases in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is also a fact that only one Government hospital is equipped to treat the patients;

(e) if so, whether he would direct the private corporate hospitals to attend to Swine Flu cases without any charges; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) There have been 20 laboratory confirmed cases of Influenza A [H1N1] (earlier referred as Swine Flu) from Hyderabad as on 7th July, 2009.

(b) No.

(c) State-wise and city-wise details of Influenza A [H1N1] cases is enclosed as Statement (*See* below).

(d) Isolation/ critical care facilities have been identified in the Cities where International Airports, Ports and International Checkpoints are located for isolation and treatment of patients. Accordingly, Government General and Chest Diseases Hospital, Hyderabad has been identified by the State Government. In addition, such cases can be treated in any medical college or other tertiary care hospitals having isolation facilities.

(e) and (f) As of now, there is no community spread of Influenza A H1N1 in the country and Government hospitals can provide treatment facilities. Decision to involve private sector hospitals for treatment facilities would be taken as the situation evolves.